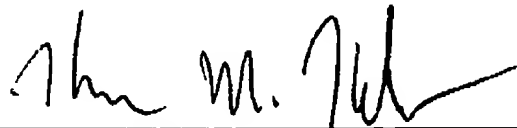


REMARKS

Claims 1-15 are pending in the present application. In the Office Action of January 21, 2005, claims 1-7 were rejected, claims 8-10 were objected to, and claims 11-15 were allowed. In the present response, Applicants cancel claims 1, 2, 6, and 7, and amend claims 3, 8, and 9. As such, all of the stated grounds of rejection have been accommodated or properly traversed. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding rejections and that they be withdrawn. It is believed that a full and complete reply has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

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